GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7289
ANSWERED ON:12.05.2000
JUTE PACKAGING ORDER
AJAY CHAKRABORTY

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have recently diluted the mandatory Jute Packaging Order; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES

(SHRI GINGEE N. RAMCHANDRAN)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir.

In view of an indefinite strike in jute mills in West Bengal w.e.f. 22.3. 2000 and in order to meet the requirement of packaging of essential items namely, Foodgrains, Sugar and Urea,the Government of India considered itnecessary to provide relaxation in the Jute Packaging Materials (Compulsory Use in Packing Commodities) Act, 1987 and hence amended its earlier Notification dated 1.7. 1999 vide Gazette Notification No.S.O.327(E) dated 31.3. 2000 for the following commodities to be packed in Jute Bags:-

Sl.No.	Commodities	% age of total production to be packed in jute packaging material as per Notification dated 01.07.1999 (valid upto 30.6. 2000)	31.3.2000
1.	Foodgrains	100%	90%
2.	Sugar	100%	90%
3.	Fertilizer (Urea only)	20%	15%